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Site: Stockton House

Location: 720 Ann Arbor Street, between Court and Second Streets, Flint, Genesee County

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History: Thomas Stockton and his wife, Maria, were among Flint's prominent early residents. Maria, the daughter of Jacob Smith—considered to be Flint's first white settler—led the formation of the city's Ladies Library Association in 1851. Thomas Stockton (1805-1890) spent much of his military career as a topographical engineer in the Midwest. In 1834 he laid out the turnpike that linked Detroit and Saginaw. As a colonel he raised the First Michigan Infantry Regiment to fight in the Mexican War and Stockton's Independent Regiment (the Sixteenth Michigan) in the Civil War. Stockton left the army in 1863 and settled permanently in Flint. He built his elaborate Italianate house in 1872. In 1921 the Sisters of St. Joseph acquired the house and established a hospital, enlarging the building several times to accommodate the growing medical needs. The house served as a hospital until 1936.

What's Next: Architect Freeman Greer has begun rehabilitating the Stockton House as office space. Federal Historic Preservation Tax Credits are making his rehabilitation project possible. This major rehabilitation involves plaster and masonry repair and the reconstruction of a front porch that has been enclosed.

In conjunction with the tax credits, the house will be nominated to the National Register of Historic Places.